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In re application of: Washino et al.

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For: MULTI-FORMAT AUDIO/VIDEO PRODUCTION SYSTEM

CONTINUATION APPLICATION OF REISSUE APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 09/113,615
FILED JULY 10, 1998; WHICH IS THE REISSUE OF U.S. PATENT NO. 5,537,157

SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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Dear Sir:

As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that we reside at the addresses listed below, we are citizens of the United States of America, and we believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,537,157 ("the '157 patent"), issued on July 16, 1996, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled MULTI-FORMAT AUDIO/VIDEO PRODUCTION SYSTEM. The application for the '157 patent was filed on August 30, 1994 as Application Serial No. 298,104 ("the '104 application").

We believe that we are the original and first inventors of the subject matter which is being claimed in the Reissue application.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to us to be material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

We believe that the '157 patent is partially inoperative because none of the claims in the '157 patent are directed to an audio visual method or system wherein editing is performed on video information in a digital format having a frame rate of substantially 24 frames per second (fps), with the edited video information then being stored on a high capacity storage medium in a format also having a frame rate of substantially 24 fps. Such limitations are present in all pending independent

claims, namely claims 256, 276, 285 and 312.

The novelty of this aspect of this invention was erroneously overlooked, as we did not appreciate the full scope of the invention being claimed at the time the '104 application was filed and during its prosecution. Our failure to recognize the full scope of the invention being claimed was inadvertent as is evidenced by the fact that although this novel feature was described in the specification of the '104 Application, it was not claimed in the '104 application. As a result of this failure, we claimed less than we had a right to claim in the '57 patent. This error arose without any deceptive intention on our part at all times up to the signing of this Declaration.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified application, including the pending reissue claims 256, 265-266, 268, 276, 284-285, 293, 297, 300-307, and 310-315 as shown in the amendment filed concurrently with this Declaration.

We declare further that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the reissue application or any patent issuing therefrom.

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